

South Milford preschool Curriculum: We believe in developing curious minds within an environment that encourages independence and critical thinking whilst keeping play at the heart of everything children do. The teaching and learning of new skills are acquired through child-led and adult-led activities and the environment is built around this to support their knowledge and skills ensuring every child has the opportunity to reach their full potential. Here is how we plan to accomplish this:

AUTUMN 2 - 04/11/24-20/12/24 (7 weeks)

INTENT (Developing curiosity)	WOW STARTER	IMPLEMENT (within the enabling environment)	IMPACT (What we want children to achieve)	DATES TO REMEMBER
<p>MAGICAL, MYTHICAL & MYSTERY! (Leading into christmas!)</p> <p>Continuing with what am I capable of?</p> <p>Can I try something new?</p> <p>Developing my 5 senses - what can I see/hear/smell/feel/taste?</p> <p>How can I explore this further?</p>	<p>Magical Science Experiments!</p> <p>- <i>Lava lamp sensory bottles:</i></p> <p><i>please could parents bring in any plain empty plastic bottles e.g. Lucozade/oasis. Thank you!</i></p> <p>- <i>Bubbling witches cauldrens.</i></p> <p>Children will have the opportunity to mix colours and combine ingredients to create bubbly fizzing reactions!</p> <p style="color: purple;">- <i>Magical Surprise Guest - Wednesday 6th November!!!</i> (We really do want this to be a surprise so keeping our lips sealed!)</p>	<p>Encourage children to build their vocabulary, particularly when introduced to something new. Introduce more adjectives to describe experiences, touching on all the senses. (CLL)</p> <p>Providing opportunities for children to play and investigate alongside others and show to enjoy new experiences together. (PSE)</p> <p>We will encourage skills in self help as they become more aware of their needs using their senses. e.g. hand washing, putting coats on. (PD)</p> <p>Opportunities will be provided to develop their fine motor skills using items such as pipettes and scissors. (PD)</p> <p>Opportunities will be given for children to join in with familiar words in stories, e.g. magic words or rhyming words. (LIT)</p> <p>We will explore mathematical concepts such as full/empty & more/less by providing activities that enable this learning. (MATHS)</p> <p>We will continue to learn about similarities and differences. We will be exploring the concept of Makaton as a new way of communicating, introducing a few basic signs to the children. (UTW/CLL)</p> <p>Cause and effect toys will allow children to explore how things work. (ICT)</p> <p>There will be lots of opportunities to explore mixing colour to create new ones (EAD).</p>	<p>The environment will always be language rich giving, introducing new words and phrases wherever possible. Activities will provide a culture of 'observe, describe and discuss'. Our 'Talk boost' programme will begin this term providing extra learning and understanding to speech and understanding.</p> <p>Our mixed age group allows children of different ages and abilities to interact together. Younger children will often learn through watching the older and more able and we encourage the older children to help those smaller than them, or those that need it. This creates an overall ethos of care for one another in preschool and we will see this in how the children conduct themselves in the group.</p> <p>By providing 'hands on', practical activities and resources we will see children's emerging mathematical and creative skills. By providing opportunity to revisit this play that enables filling and emptying, or adding more/ less etc, skills will become more secure as they are practiced through play. This play around early maths and literacy is a vital stepping stone in children's development leading to number and letter work.</p> <p>By providing opportunities for group engagement, children will become more confident to interact and play with others as we continue to learn more about one another. This will encourage 'serve and return' style play scenarios which encourage listening, communication and imagination skills.</p>	<p>Children in need - Peppa Pig themed! Friday 15th November (Bring wellies! Further information regarding fundraising to follow!)</p> <p>Stay and play week! W/C - 2nd December - all week. (A week where parent and carers are invited into preschool to join in our morning sessions full of christmas crafts and activities).</p> <p>Christmas with Baby Band - Monday 16th December. (A fun musical session that introduces concepts such as rhythm and dynamics using signing and instruments).</p> <p>Close for Xmas - Friday 20th December. (2 weeks)</p>